Agenda Report Item: II. B.

Title I Distinguished Schools Recognition

The Background:

The National Title I Distinguished Schools Program has been selecting examples of superior Title I schools from all states for national recognition since 1996. Each year, Tennessee selects two schools for recognition — one for success in closing achievement gaps, and one for outstanding academic achievement.

The schools recognized demonstrate a wide array of strengths, including team approaches to teaching and learning, focused professional development opportunities for staff, individualized programs for student success, and strong partnerships between the school, parents, and the community.

This year's schools were recognized at the National Title I Conference in Houston, Texas in January 2016. The two schools in Tennessee that have been recognized as Title I Distinguished Schools for 2015 are:

Hazelwood Elementary School

Jessica Harris – Principal 2623 Tiny Town Road Clarksville, TN 37042 Montgomery County Schools

This school is recognized for outstanding academic achievement.

Church Hill Elementary School

Teresa Drinnon - Principal 400 Old Stage Road Church Hill, TN 37642 Hawkins County Schools

This school is recognized for exemplary work in closing achievement gaps.

The Recommendation:

For information purposes only; no action required.